

Keeping in Step with the Spirit

picture-Marching in formation

Gal. 5:25

"If the Holy Spirit animates us let us keep in step with the Spirit." Thayer

Responses: "I will have to hurry..."

Little elephant in Jungle book

Picture of little elephant

How we arrived here

2 Peter 1:4 "...you may participate in the Divine Nature"

What should we expect participation in the divine nature to look like?

The beginning of the New Covenant

Jer. 31:33

..."I will put my law in their minds and write it on their hearts..." Provision of God

.."I will be their God and they will be my people..." Desire of God

How is God's desire accomplished?

Gal. 5:16 "...Live by the Spirit, and you will not gratify the desires of the sinful nature."

Wow!!!

How???

Galatians Focus

Fullness of the Spirit

Means--contrast Law of Moses vs Life in the Spirit

4 Key Words

5:16 walk, live--conduct one's life

5:18 to be led

5:25 live--animated

5:25 walk, follow, behave in accordance with,
Keep in step with...

If the Holy Spirit animates us...

Jn. 3:6-8

"...Spirit gives birth to spirit..."

"... You must be born again..."

"...The wind blows...So it is with everyone born of the Spirit..."

(Picture of wind blowing trees)

Access to Spirit's life

Jn 3:16 "...whoever believes in Him ..."

Jn 7:37-39 "...whoever believes in me,....,
streams of living water will
flow from within him."

Picture of stream of water

Continual Renewal

Jn. 14:16-18

"...another counselor to be with you forever.."

"... He lives with you and will be in you..."

Spirit within you is greater than
Jesus beside you

The Counselor

Jn.14:26-27

"...teach you all things..."

"...my peace I give you..."

"...Do not let your hearts be troubled
and do not be afraid..."

Much More

Jn.16:12-15

"...I have much more to say to you..."

"...guide you into all truth..."

Take Heart!

Jn 16:33

"I have told you these things..."

(Jn 13-16)

"in Me--Peace..."

"in this world--trouble..."

"I have overcome the world."